## BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

## ENFORCEMENT PRIORITY SYSTEM DISMISSAL REPORT

MUR: 7426 Respondents: Josh Guillory for Congress and

Stephanie Haney, as Treasurer

Complaint Receipt Date: July 13, 2018 (the "Committee")<sup>1</sup>

Response Date: September 6, 2018

**EPS Rating:** 

Alleged Statutory Regulatory Violations: 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a)(2)(A)(i) 11 C.F.R. § 104.5(a)(2)(i)

The Complaint alleges that the Committee failed to file a 2018 Pre-Primary Report, which was due on July 8, 2018. The Response admits that the Committee's 2018 Pre-Primary Report was filed late, on July 13, 2018.<sup>2</sup>

Based on its experience and expertise, the Commission has established an Enforcement Priority System using formal, pre-determined scoring criteria to allocate agency resources and assess whether particular matters warrant further administrative enforcement proceedings. These criteria include (1) the gravity of the alleged violation, taking into account both the type of activity and the amount in violation; (2) the apparent impact the alleged violation may have had on the electoral process; (3) the complexity of the legal issues raised in the matter; and (4) recent trends in potential violations and other developments in the law. This matter is rated as low priority for Commission action after application of these pre-established criteria. Given that low rating and the fact that the 2018 Pre-Primary Report was filed only five days late, we recommend that the

Guillory is a 2018 candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives in Louisiana's Third District.

The Committee's report was filed 5 days late,

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Commission dismiss the Complaint consistent with the Commission's prosecutorial discretion to determine the proper ordering of its priorities and use of agency resources. *Heckler v. Chaney*, 470 U.S. 821, 831-32 (1985). We also recommend that the Commission close the file as to all Respondents and send the appropriate letters.

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